GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PANCHAYATI RAJ
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is planning to set up a permanent central institute to monitor and expedite the process of decentralisation of power through panchayti raj system and empower the local self-Government institutions in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any such institution controlled by certain State Governments is working in the country at present; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) & (b): At present, the Ministry of Panchayati Raj has no plan to set up a permanent Central Institute to monitor and expedite the process of decentralisation of power through Panchayati Raj system and empower the Local Self-Government institutions in the country.

(c) & (d): The State Institutes of Rural Development which are the training institutes of State Governments, are providing training to the elected representatives of the three tiers of Panchayats.